

the public will have access to the Committee's deliberations. These facilities will be provided in the location listed in the portion of this notice titled "LOCATION."

The public is being given less than fifteen days notice of this teleconference because there was no funding available to hold the previously announced Board Meeting in Seattle and plans have to be approved to hold another Board Meeting as soon as possible and to begin the Nominations process.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Washington, D.C., from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dated: November 28, 1995.

Roy Truby,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program; Notice

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of Computer Matching Programs to comply with Public Law (Pub. L.) 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988.

SUMMARY: Section 484(p) of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) requires the Secretary of Education, in cooperation with the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration (SSA), to verify any social security number (SSN) provided by an applicant for student financial assistance. Section 484(g) of the HEA authorizes the Secretary to verify statements provided by title IV applicants with regard to their citizenship and immigration status, using an automated or other system of verification.

In order to ensure that applicants for title IV student financial assistance have a valid SSN and citizenship status for the purpose of meeting eligibility requirements under the title IV programs, the Department of Education (ED) and the SSA will exchange relevant verifying information using a computer matching program. The purpose of this notice is to announce the operation of the computer matching program and to provide certain required information concerning the computer matching program.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) as amended by the

Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-503), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs (see 54 FR at 25818, June 19, 1989), and OMB Circular A-130, the following information is provided:

1. Names of Participating Agencies

The Department of Education and the Social Security Administration.

2. Purpose of the Match

Section 484(p) of the HEA requires ED to verify the SSN provided by any applicant for assistance under title IV of that Act. Section 484(g) of the HEA authorizes the Secretary to verify statements provided by title IV applicants with regard to their citizenship and immigration status using an automated or other system, with other Federal agencies that may be in possession of information relevant to such statements and supporting documentation.

The purpose of this new matching program is to expand ED's matching program that verifies the accuracy of each applicant's SSN. The expanded matching program will further verify the accuracy of applicant claims of U.S. citizenship. The new match will supplement the Department's ability to track title IV loan defaulters using SSNs, by preventing disbursements of title IV assistance to applicants whose citizenship status do not comply with the requirements of section 484(a)(5) of the HEA.

3. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program

Sections 484 (g) and (p) of the HEA; Section 1106(a) of the Social Security Act.

4. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Match

ED will submit for verification from its Central Processing Systems files the SSN and other identifying information for each applicant for title IV assistance. This information will be matched against the SSA Numident, which contains the SSN, citizenship status and identifying information for all SSN holders.

5. Effective Dates of the Matching Program

The matching program will become effective 40 days after a copy of the agreement, as approved by the Data Integrity Board of each agency, is sent to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) (or later if OMB objects to some or all of the

agreement), or 30 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register, whichever date is later. The matching program will continue for 18 months after the effective date and may be extended for an additional 12 months thereafter, if the conditions specified in 5 U.S.C. 522a(o)(2)(D) have been met.

6. Address for Receipt of Public Comments or Inquiries

Individuals wishing to comment on this matching program or obtain additional information about the program including a copy of the computer matching agreement between ED and SSA should contact Ms. Edith Bell, Program Specialist, Policy Development Division, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue SW, (Room 3053, ROB-3), Washington, DC 20202, Telephone (202) 708-7888.

Written comments should be submitted to Ms. Bell at this address. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Dated: November 27, 1995.

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Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Record of Decision; Safe Interim Storage of Hanford Tank Wastes, Hanford Site, Richland, WA

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of record of decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: DOE and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) have jointly prepared the Safe Interim Storage of Hanford Tank Wastes Final Environmental Impact Statement (SIS EIS) (DOE/EIS-0212) to assess the environmental and human health impacts associated with the construction and operation of facilities and systems to continue the safe management of high-level, mixed radioactive wastes stored in tanks at the Hanford Site. After careful consideration of environmental impacts, lifecycle costs, public, agency, and tribal comments, and engineering evaluations, DOE has decided to implement most of the actions of the preferred alternative evaluated in the Final SIS EIS and are documenting this determination in this